

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Columbia, South Carolina

April 10, 2002

The State Board of Education (Board) held its April meeting at nine o'clock, Wednesday morning, April 10, 2002, in the Basement Conference Room of the Rutledge State Office Building. The following State Board members were in attendance: Mr. J. Spratt White, Chair; Mr. Greg Killian, Chair-Elect; Ms. Victoria Belin; Mr. Carlos A. Cervantes; Dr. Anne S. Crook; Mr. Clarence Dickert; Mrs. Brenda S. Fort; Mr. John H. Hostetler; Dr. Mary E. Jones; Mr. Marion B. Lee, Jr.; Mrs. Frances P. Lewis; Mrs. Kristin Maguire; Mr. James Mattos; Mr. James C. McRae; Mrs. Gail Moss; Dr. Harriett Rucker; and Mr. Chris Verenes. Also present was staff of the State Department of Education. *(Board member unable to attend was Mr. Jim White who was excused for his absence.)*

OPENING

Intermezzo, a University of South Carolina String Project, which is made up of a group of string orchestral middle school students from the midlands area, performed prior to the April 10, 2002, meeting of the State Board of Education and led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2002

Mr. Dickert moved for the approval of the minutes of the March 13, 2002, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire and approved by the Board.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA

Mrs. Maguire moved for the approval of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickert and approved by the Board.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, INCLUDING NEWS MEDIA

Superintendent Tenenbaum welcomed the visitors present. Mr. Rob Harper, Office of Public Information introduced Bill Robinson, *The State*.

AWARDS TO RETIRING BOARD MEMBER(S)

Chair White recognized Mrs. Frances Lewis, Eighth Judicial Circuit. On behalf of the Board and the citizens of this Judicial Circuit, Chair White thanked Mrs. Lewis for her service and presented her with a certificate.

Mrs. Lewis stated that she had mixed emotions regarding retiring from the State Board of Education and that it had been an honor and a privilege. Mrs. Lewis commended Superintendent Tenenbaum and the staff of the State Department of Education for their work.

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RECOGNITION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS/OATH OF OFFICE

Chair White introduced new Board member, Dr. Harriett Rucker, Eighth Judicial Circuit. Dr. Rucker replaces Mrs. Frances Lewis.

Chair White administered the Oath of Office to Dr. Rucker.

"I do solemnly swear that I am duly qualified according to the Constitution of this State, to exercise the duties of the office to which I have been appointed, and that I will to the best of my ability, discharge the duties thereof, and preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of this State and of the United States. So help me God."

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION REPORT

RECOGNITION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Dr. Stephen Hefner, Superintendent, Richland School District Two. Dr. Hefner was chosen as the South Carolina Association of School Administrators' Superintendent of the Year.

Superintendent Tenenbaum presented an engraved clock to Dr. Hefner for his accomplishment.

RECOGNITION OF THE NATIONAL SECONDARY ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Dr. David Bomar, Assistant Principal, Cowpens Middle School, Spartanburg School District Three. The National Association of Secondary School Principals and the McDonald's Corporation have named Dr. Bomar the National Assistant Principal of the Year.

Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board member Gail Moss presented an engraved trophy to Dr. Bomar for his achievement.

RECOGNITION OF THE MIDDLE LEVEL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Dr. Bob Heath, Principal, Sullivan Middle School in Rock Hill School District Three. Dr. Heath is the 2002 recipient of the South Carolina Association of School Administrators' Middle Level Principal of the Year Award.

Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board member J. Spratt White presented an engraved trophy to Dr. Heath for this accomplishment.

RECOGNITION OF THE SECONDARY PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Bernard McDaniel, Principal, Hannah-Pamplico High School in Florence School District Two. Mr. McDaniel is the 2002 recipient of the South Carolina Association of School Administrators' Secondary Principal of the Year Award.

Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board member Victoria Belin presented an engraved trophy to Mr. McDaniel for his achievement.

RECOGNITION OF THE NATIONAL DISTINGUISHED PRINCIPAL FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Kathy Whitmire, Principal, James M. Brown Elementary School in Oconee County. Ms. Whitmire was selected by the South Carolina Association of School Administrators as the 2002 National Distinguished Principal for South Carolina.

Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board member John Hostetler presented an engraved trophy to Ms. Whitmire for her accomplishment.

RECOGNITION OF THREE STUDENTS WITH MAXIMUM SAT SCORES

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Jessica McBride, Socastee High School, Horry County School District; Matt Elder, Lexington High School, Lexington School District One; and William Park Cram, Richland Northeast High School, Richland School District Two. Each of these students scored the maximum score of 1600 on the SAT.

Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board members Clarence Dickert, Mary Jones, and Greg Killian presented the students with engraved marble pencil holders for their accomplishments.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were two public speakers for this meeting, as follows:

1. Kim Murphy, parent from Richland/Lexington School District Five—Ms. Murphy spoke regarding new facility construction and expressed her feelings that the money should be used in the classrooms and not on new facilities unless they were really needed.
2. Ruth Schoonover, S. C. Association of School Social Workers—Ms. Schoonover spoke regarding the need for certification of school social workers.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Marion B. Lee, Chair
Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee

Mr. Clarence Dickert, Chair
Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee

Mr. James G. Mattos, Chair
Finance and Legislative Committee

Mr. J. Spratt White, Chair
Educational Policy Committee

56. Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee—Mr. Marion B. Lee reported that the Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee (*TRTC*) met on Tuesday, April 9, 2002.

01. Approval of Agenda for April 9, 2002—Mr. Lee reported that the agenda for the April 9, 2002, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of March 12, 2002, TRTC Committee Meeting—Mr. Lee reported that the minutes from the March 12, 2002, meeting were approved.

03. TRTC Committee Meeting Overview—Mr. Lee reported that Dr. Janice Poda, Senior Director, Division of Teacher Quality, gave a brief overview of the items that were presented to the TRTC Committee.

Mr. Lee reported that item 56-04 was placed on the consent agenda.

Mr. Lee reported that the following item was presented for information:

- **State Department of Education Renewal Course Application**

55. Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee—Mr. Clarence Dickert reported that the Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee met on Tuesday, April 9, 2002.

01. Approval of Agenda for April 9, 2002—Mr. Dickert reported that the agenda for April 9, 2002, was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of March 12, 2002—Mr. Dickert reported that the minutes of the March 12, 2002, Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee meeting were approved.

Mr. Dickert reported that items 55-03 and 55-04 were placed on the consent agenda.

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Mr. Dickert reported that the following item was presented for information:

- **Requested Waiver Request of the Section of Regulation 43-264.1, Half Day Child Development Programs from Anderson School District One, Anderson School District Five, Dillon School District One, Orangeburg Consolidated School District Four, and Spartanburg School District Three that stipulates that a minimum of 10-percent of the total budget shall be utilized in supplies/materials and equipment for instructional purposes (Section VI B.1. and 1.**

54. Finance and Legislative Committee—Mr. James Mattos reported that the Finance and Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, April 9, 2002.

01. Approval of Agenda for April 9, 2002—Mr. Mattos reported that the agenda for the April 9, 2002, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of March 12, 2002—Mr. Mattos reported that the minutes of the March 12, 2002, Finance and Legislative Committee meeting were approved.

Mr. Mattos reported that items 54-03 and 54-04 were placed on the consent agenda.

Mr. Mattos reported that the following items were submitted for information:

- **State Board of Education Financial Statements**
- **Schedule of Liquidated Damages**

52. Educational Policy Committee—Chair White reported that the Educational Policy Committee met on Tuesday, April 9, 2002.

01. Approval of Agenda for April 9, 2002—Chair White reported that the agenda for the April 9, 2002, meeting was approved as presented.

02. Approval of Educational Policy Committee Minutes of March 12, 2002—Chair White reported that the minutes for the March 12, 2002, Educational Policy Committee meeting were approved, with an amendment on Item 52-03, The External Review Team's Summary Reports for Unsatisfactory Schools Based on "2001" PACT Absolute Scores which should have been, The External Review Team's Summary Reports for Unsatisfactory Schools Based on "2000" PACT Absolute Scores.

Chair White reported that items 52-03, 52-05, and 52-06 were placed on the consent agenda.

04. House Education and Public Works Committee Request Regarding State Board of Education Regulation 43-64, Requirements for Initial Certification at the Advanced Level

On behalf of the Policy Committee, Chair White moved that the State Board of Education approve the State Department of Education's recommendation to withdraw and amend Regulation 43-64, Document No. 2682, Requirements for Initial Certification at the Advanced Level and resubmit to the House Education and Public Works Committee with the requested change. In the ensuing discussion, it was noted that the purpose and the intent of the change was solely to allow educators whose area of certification was being eliminated or was expiring to continue to hold the certificate as long as they continued to meet recertification requirements. No additional persons would be certificated in such areas. No obligation or duty is imposed on any school district by virtue of this continuation of certification beyond what may have existed prior to such continuation. The Board approved the motion with three opposing votes by Mrs. Fort, Mrs. Maguire, and Mr. Cervantes.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. McRae moved that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire and approved by the Board. The following items were approved by the Board without further debate:

56-04. Grade Span Implementation Guidelines for Teacher Preparation Programs (First Reading)

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

55-03. 2002-03 Instructional Television Resources Proposal

The Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee approved this item as presented.

55-04. South Carolina English Language Arts Curriculum Standards Revised Draft (First Reading)

The Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee approved this item as presented.

54-03. Facilities Waiver Request—Pickens County School District (Renewal)

The Finance and Legislative Committee approved this item as presented.

54-04. Review of South Carolina Statutes and Regulations Governing District Charges/Payments For Midday Deadhead Mileage Associated With The Transportation of Students With Disabilities and Gain State Board Approval of Current State Department of Education Practices And Interpretations

The Finance and Legislative Committee voted to carry this item over.

52-03. Approval of Amendment to Rules of Governance by Adding a New Rule BBCDB, Reinstatement of Certificate (First Reading)

The Educational Policy Committee approved this item as presented and waived second reading.

52-05. Approval of Nominations for 2002 National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) Awards

The Educational Policy Committee approved this item as presented.

52-06. The External Review Team's Summary Reports for Unsatisfactory Schools Based on 2001 PACT and Report Card Absolute Scores

The Educational Policy Committee approved this item as presented.

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REPORT OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TEACHER LICENSURE ISSUES OF APRIL 9, 2002

Chair-Elect Killian gave a report of the actions taken by the State Board of Education concerning teacher certification issues in the State of South Carolina on Tuesday, April 9, 2002.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 9, 2002

Mrs. Maguire moved for the approval of the minutes of the April 9, 2002, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. McRae and approved by the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS

A Study Session was held by the Board regarding new federal legislation, No Child Left Behind.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Lee moved that the Board adjourn. Mr. McRae seconded the motion. There being no further business the Board adjourned at 11:13 A.M.

Chair

Secretary

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